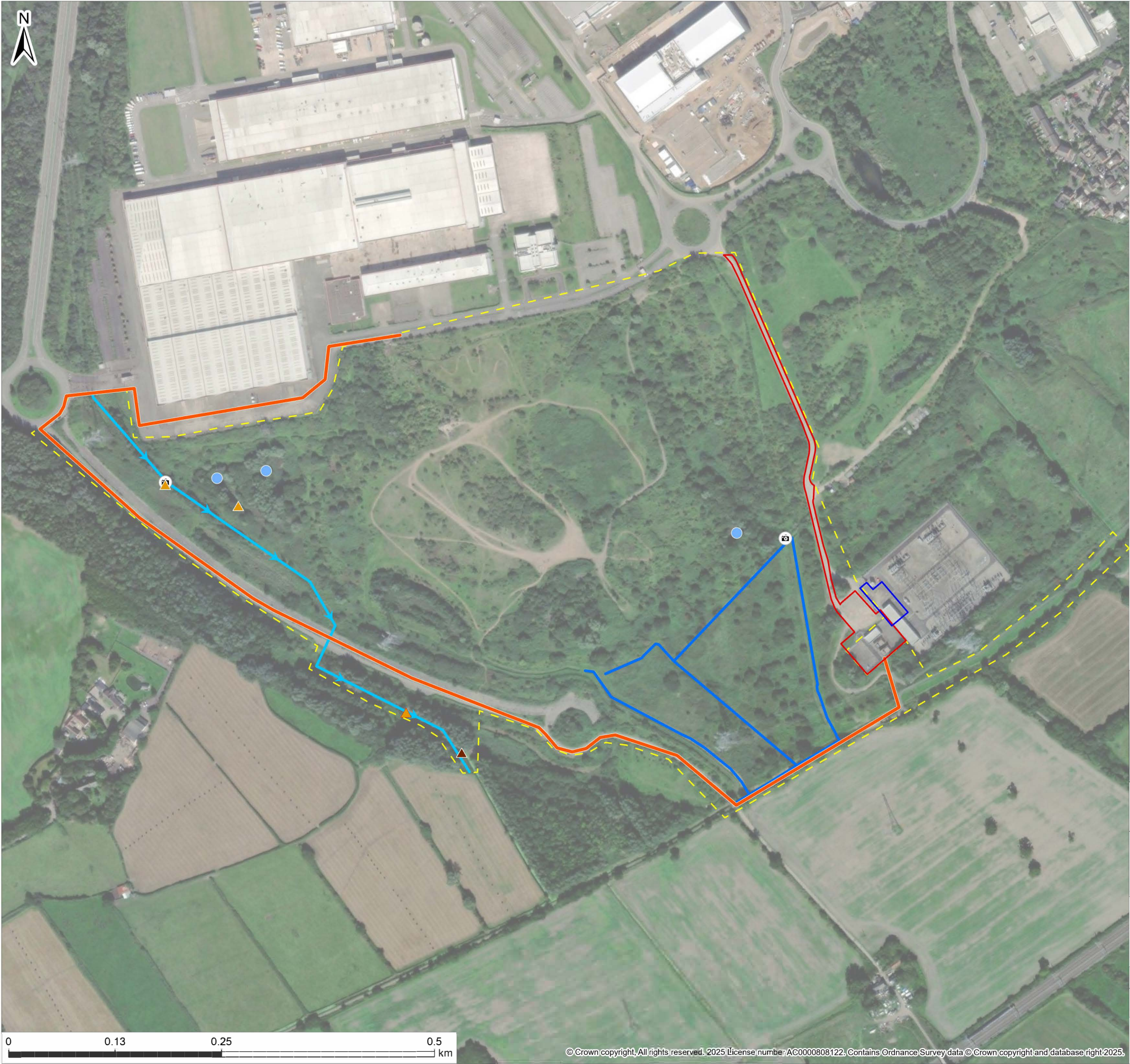






Legend

- Application Boundary
- Ownership Boundary
- Indicative Cable Route
- Wider Survey Area
- Wet ditch
- Running water
- Camera
- Pond
- Possible water vole droppings
- Spraint
- Spraint and possible laying up spot



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Appendix A

Relevant Legislation

Reptiles

All common UK reptile species (Adder *Vipera berus*, Grass Snake *Natrix helvetica*, Common Lizard *Zootoca vivipara* and Slow Worm *Anguis fragilis*) are protected through part of Section 9(1 and 5) of the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended). This prohibits:

- Intentional or reckless injuring or killing;
- Selling, offering or exposing for sale, or having in possession or transporting for the purpose of sale, any live or dead wild animal or any part of, or anything derived from, such an animal; or
- Publishing or causing to be published any advertisement likely to be understood as conveying buying or selling, or intending to buy or sell, any of those things.

Slow Worm, Common Lizard and Grass Snake are also listed as Species of Principal Importance within the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

Birds

All birds, their nests and eggs are afforded protection under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, as updated by the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000. It is an offence to:

- intentionally kill, injure or take any wild bird;
- intentionally take, damage or destroy the nest of any wild bird while it is in use or being built; and
- intentionally take or destroy the egg of any wild bird.

Schedule 1 birds cannot be intentionally or recklessly disturbed when nesting and there are increased penalties for doing so. Licences can be issued to visit the nests of such birds for conservation, scientific or photographic purposes but not to allow disturbance during a development even in circumstances where that development is fully authorised by consents such as a valid planning permission.

A number of widespread bird species are also listed as being of principal importance for the conservation of biodiversity in Wales.

Bats

All British bat species are fully protected under Schedule 5 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, as updated by the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000. All British bats are also included on Schedule 2 of The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 as European Protected Species. It is an offence to:

- intentionally or recklessly kill, injure or capture bats;
- deliberately or recklessly disturb bats (whether in a roost or not); and
- damage, destroy or obstruct access to bat roosts

A roost is defined as 'any structure or place which [a bat] uses for shelter or protection'. As bats tend to reuse the same roosts, legal opinion is that a roost is protected whether or not bats are present at the time of survey.

A licence will therefore be required by those who carry out any operation that would otherwise result in offences being committed.

The following bat species are listed as Species of Principal Importance within the Environment (Wales) Act 2016: Barbastelle, Bechstein's, Noctule, Soprano Pipistrelle, Common Pipistrelle, Brown Long-eared, Greater Horseshoe, and Lesser Horseshoe.

Badger

Badgers are protected under the Protection of Badgers Act 1992. This act is based on the need to protect badgers from baiting and deliberate harm or injury. The act makes it an offence to:

- Wilfully kill, injure, take, possess or cruelly ill-treat a badger, or attempt to do so;
- Intentionally or recklessly interfere with a sett. Sett interference includes disturbing badgers whilst they are occupying a sett, as well as damaging or destroying a sett or obstructing access routes.

A sett is defined as "any structure or place that displays signs indicating current use by a badger".

Dormouse

Hazel Dormouse is fully protected under Schedule 2 of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017. The Regulations prohibit:

- Intentionally, recklessly or deliberately kill, injure or take a Dormouse;
- The deliberate disturbance of this species in such a way as to be significantly likely to affect:
 - Their ability of to survive, hibernate, migrate, breed, or rear or nurture their young; or;
 - The local distribution or abundance of Dormice.
- Damage or destruction of a breeding site or resting place (nest);
- The possession or transport of Dormice or any other part of.

Dormice are also protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) through their inclusion in Schedule 5. Under the Act, they are protected from:

- Intentional or reckless disturbance (at any level);
- Obstruction of access to any place of shelter, breeding or rest;
- Selling, bartering or exchange of these species, or parts of.

Offences can be deliberate, intentional or reckless and penalties for any of the above include fines of up to £5k and imprisonment of up to 6 months, per animal affected.

Dormice are also listed as Species of Principal Importance within the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

Water Vole and Otter

Water vole and Otter and their habitats are fully protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended). Under this legislation it is an offence to:

- Capture, kill or injure a Water Vole or Otter;
- Damage, destroy or obstruct access to a breeding site or resting place (i.e. burrow);
- Disturb a Water Vole or Otter whilst in a place of shelter;
- Possess or control a Water Vole or Otter (live or dead), any part of a Water Vole or Otter or anything derived from a Water Vole or Otter;
- Sell, barter or exchange a Water Vole or Otter (live or dead), any part of a Water Vole or Otter or anything derived from a Water Vole or Otter; and / or
- Advertise or offer for sale, barter or exchange a Water Vole or Otter (live or dead), any part of a water vole or Otter or anything derived from a Water Vole or Otter.

Offences can result from intentional or reckless actions. Penalties include fines of up to £5000 and / or imprisonment for up to six months, per offence. Under certain circumstances a licence can be granted by Natural England to permit activities that would otherwise constitute an offence.

Otters have additional protection, being listed as a European Protected Species (EPS) under Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017. This makes it an offence to deliberately or recklessly:

- Capture, injure or kill an Otter;
- Harass an Otter or group of Otters;
- Disturb an Otter in a holt or any other structure or place it uses for shelter or protection;
- Disturb an Otter while it is rearing or otherwise caring for its young;
- Obstruct access to a holt or other structure or place Otters use for shelter or protection or to otherwise deny the animal use of that place;
- Disturb an Otter in a manner that is, or in circumstances which are, likely to significantly affect the local distribution or abundance of the species;
- Disturb an Otter in a manner that is, or in circumstances which are, likely to impair its ability to survive, breed or reproduce, or rear or otherwise care for its young.

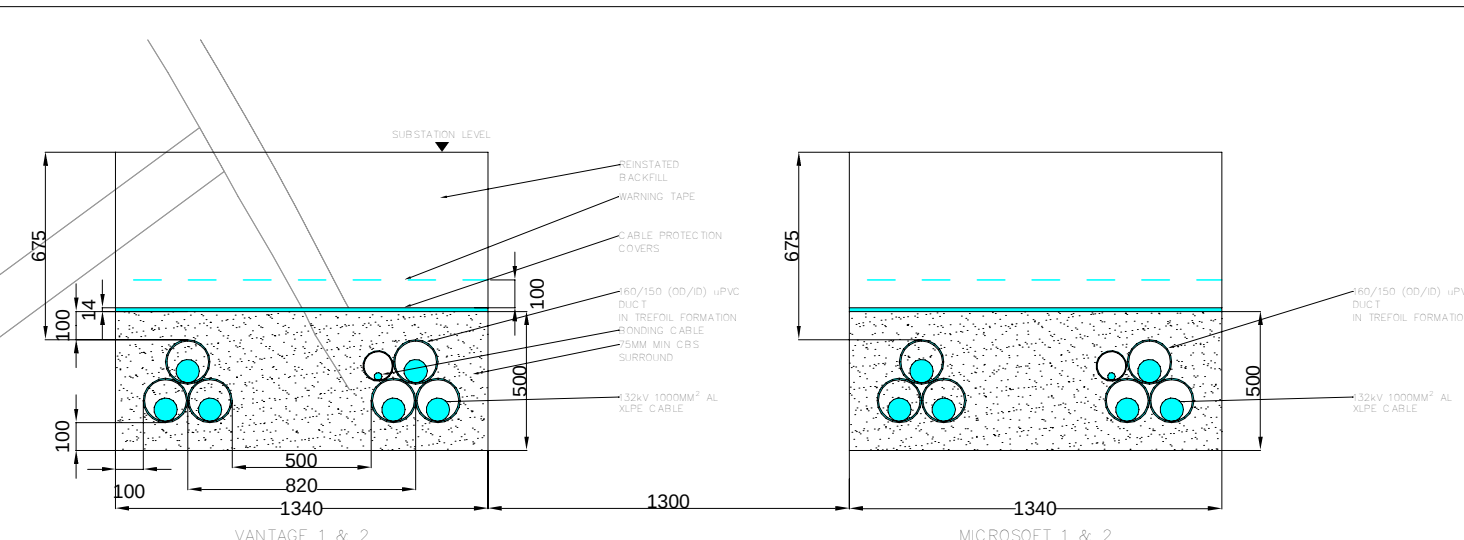
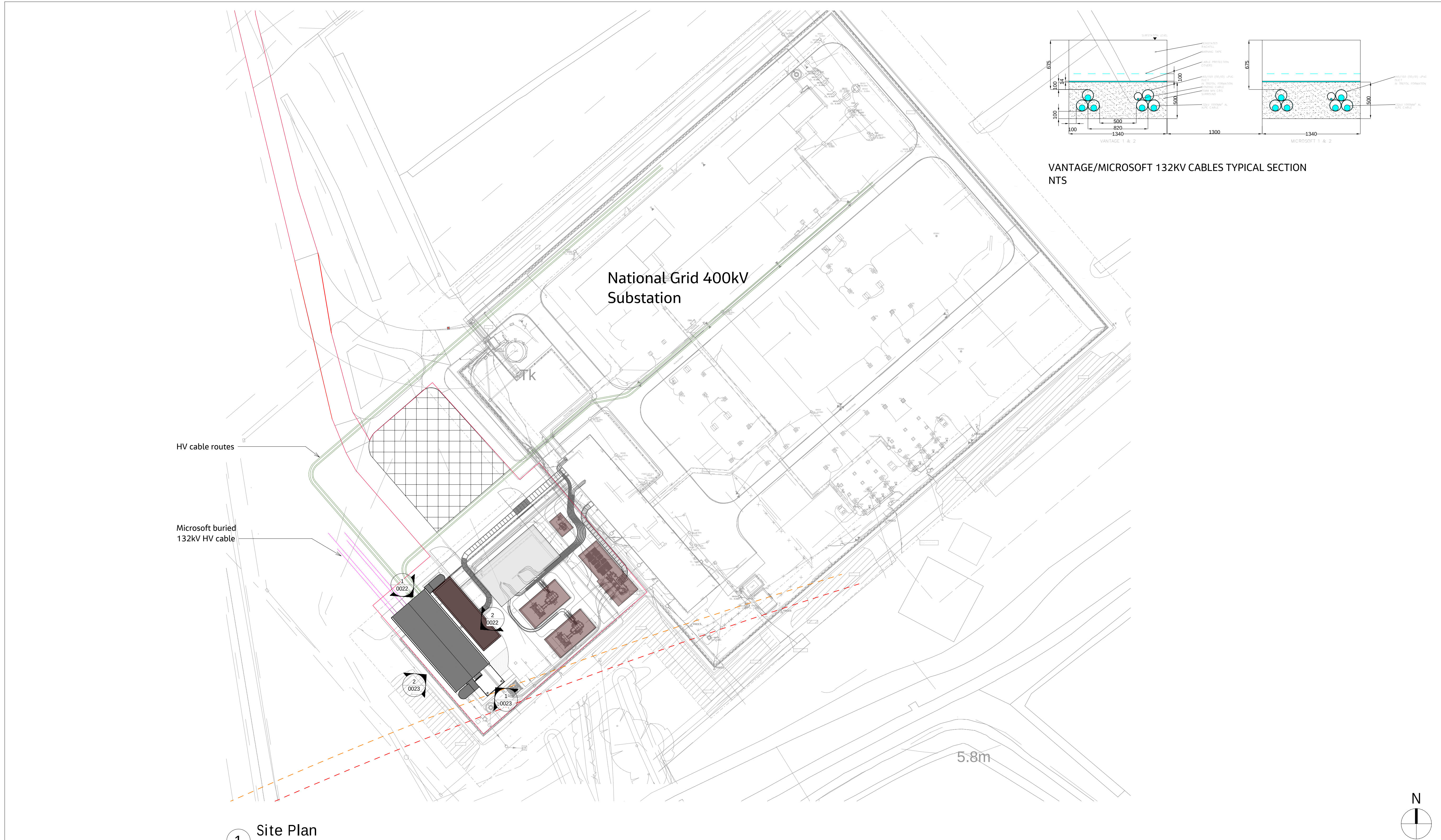
It is also an offence to:

- Damage or destroy a breeding site or resting place of such an animal (note that this does not need to be deliberate or reckless to constitute an offence);
- Keep, transport, sell or exchange or offer for sale or exchange any wild Otter or any part or derivative of one (if obtained after 10 June 1994).

Both species are listed as Species of Principal Importance under Section 41 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006.

Appendix B

Proposed Development Designs



VANTAGE/MICROSOFT 132KV CABLES TYPICAL SECTION
NT5

1 Site Plan
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- PROPOSED BUILDING
 - EXISTING BUILDING
 - TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION LAYDOWN AND PARKING AREA
 - RED LINE BOUNDARY
WORKS WITHIN SSE 132KV SUBSTATION AND ACCESS ROUTE TO THE SITE
 - BLUE LINE BOUNDARY
ADDITIONAL LAND IN SSE OWNERSHIP
 - HIGH VOLTAGE OVERHEAD CABLES AND SWING SAFETY ZONE
 - PROPOSED EQUIPMENT
 - EXISTING EQUIPMENT



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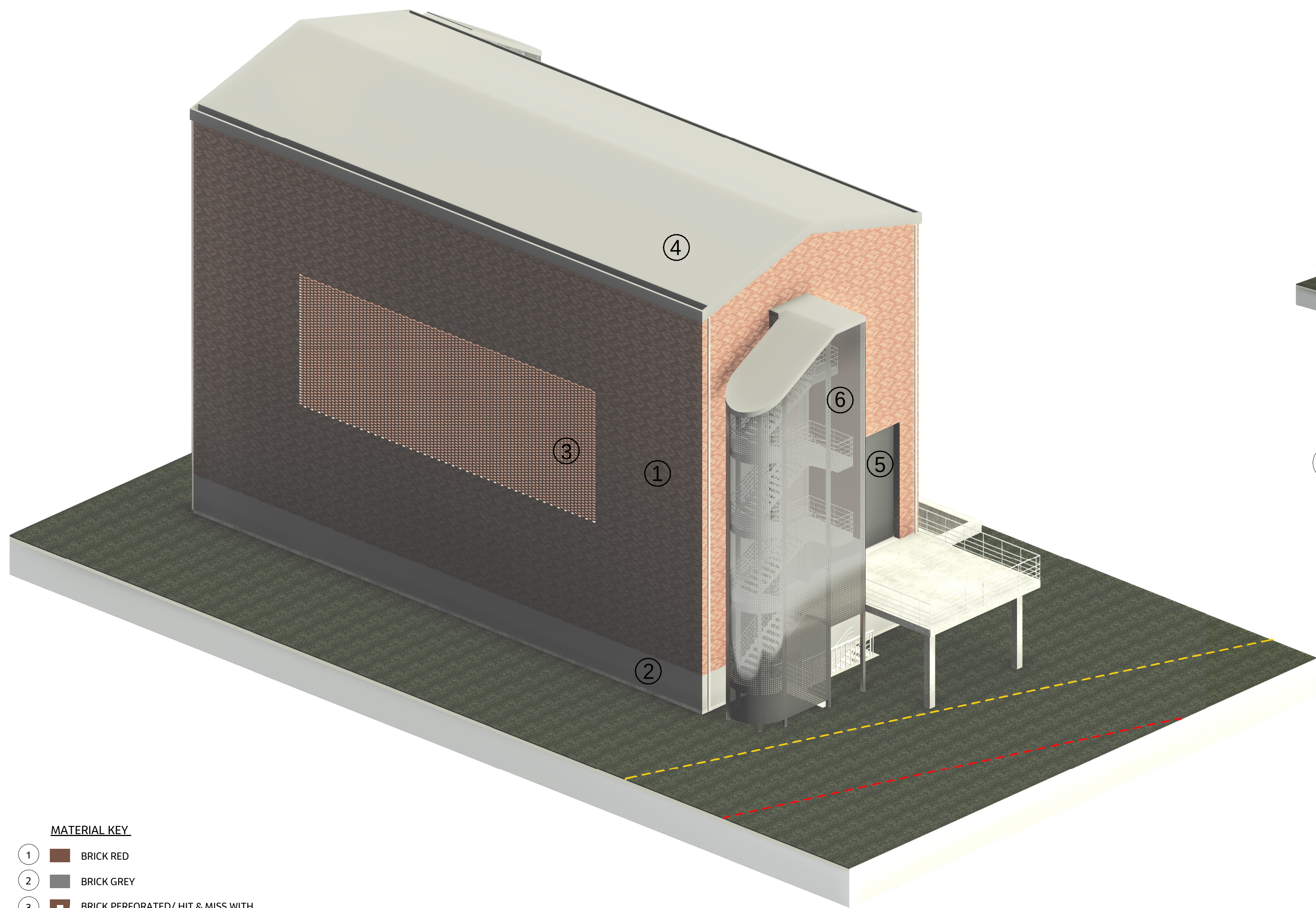
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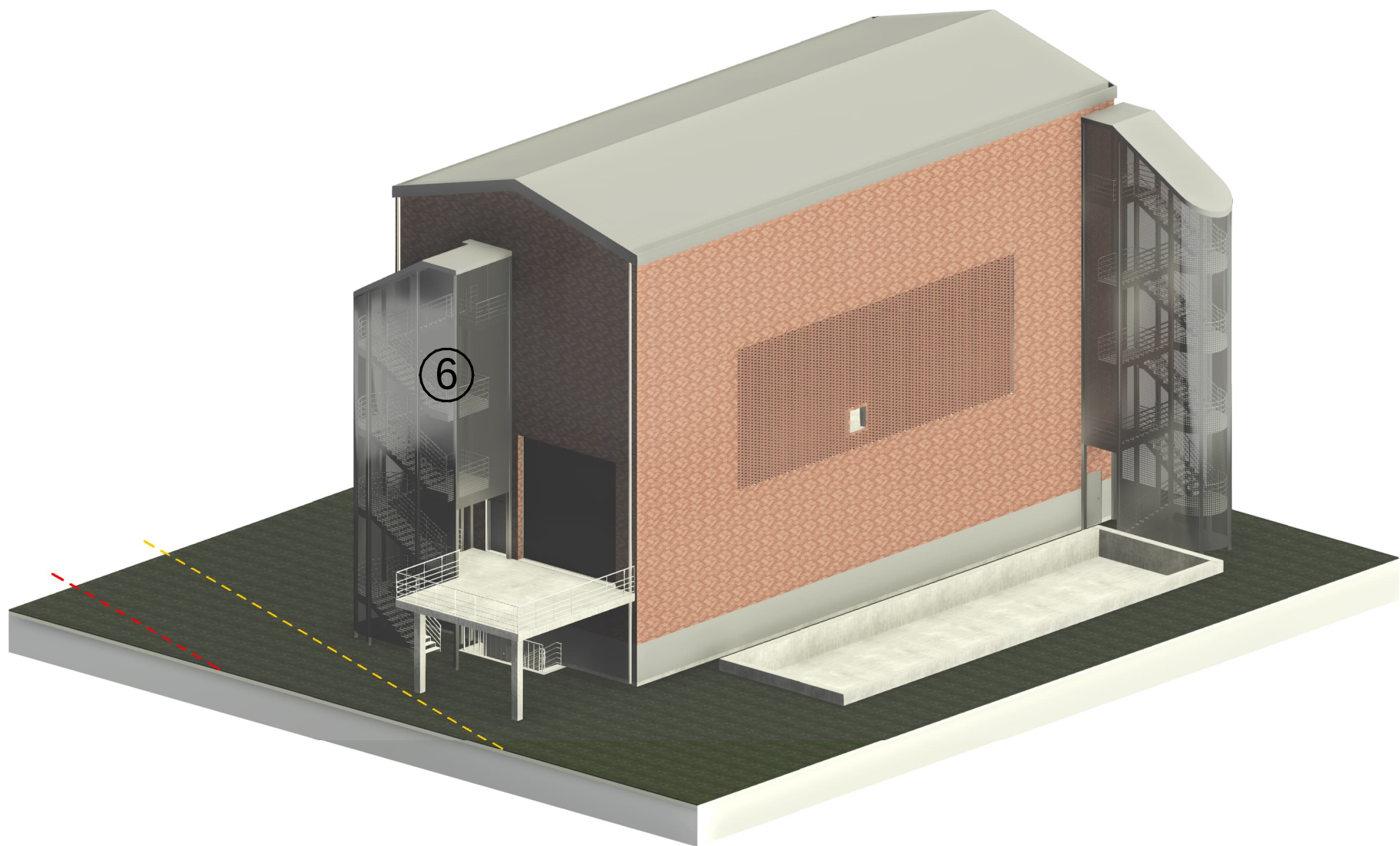
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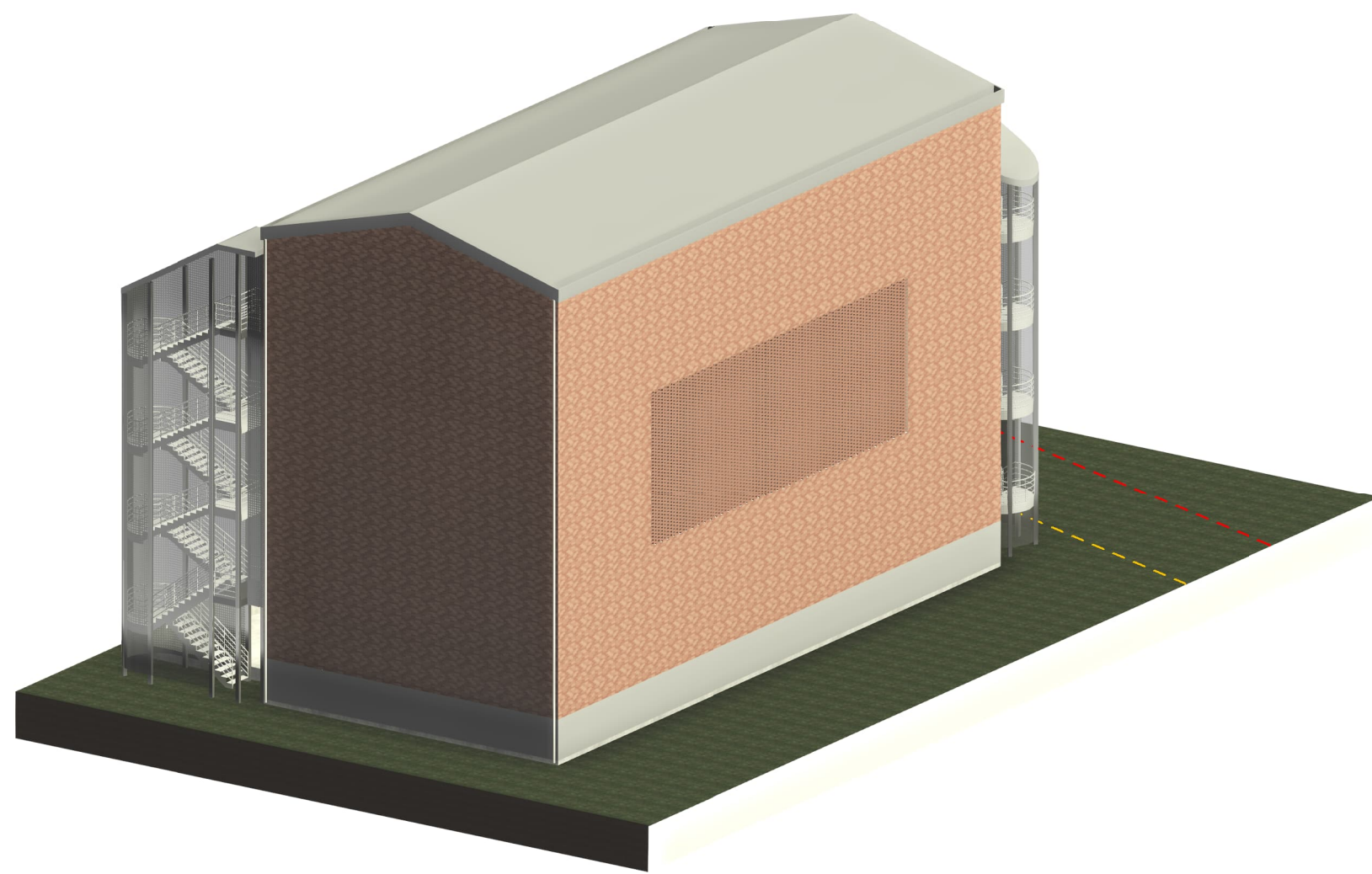
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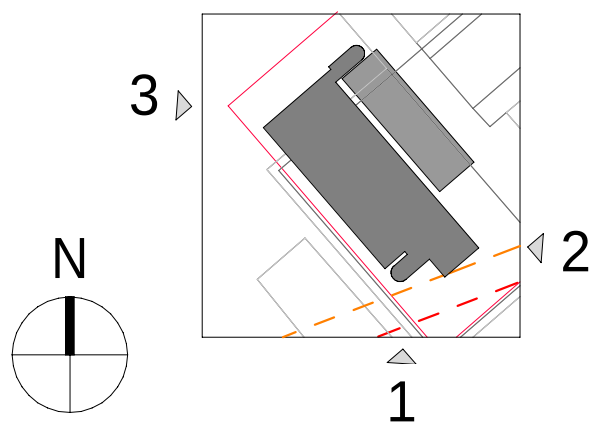
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- 4 PROFILED METAL ROOF
- 5 ROLLER SHUTTER
- 6 METAL MESH

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- EXISTING
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